

QCD CALCULATIONS FOR BOOSTED TOP PRODUCTION AT HADRON COLLIDERS

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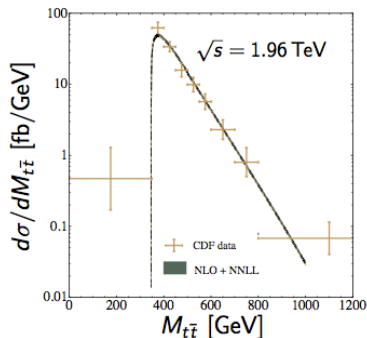
FACTORIZATION AND RESUMMATION FOR BOOSTED TOP PRODUCTION

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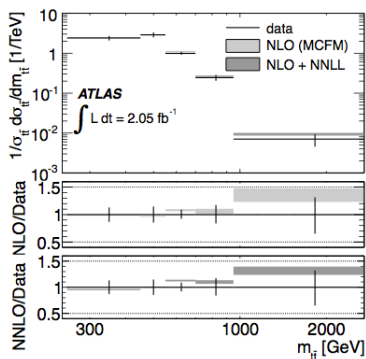
- 1) Factorization and resummation for large pair invariant mass distribution (arXiv:1205.3662)
- 2) Four Wilson-line soft function to NNLO (arXiv:1207.4798)
- 3) An NNLO soft plus virtual approximation for $d\sigma/dM_{t\bar{t}}$ in $m_t \ll M_{t\bar{t}}$ limit (arXiv:1306.1537)
- 4) Factorization and resummation for single-particle inclusive distributions (i.e. $d\sigma/dp_T$) (arXiv:1310.3836)

PRODUCTION AT HIGH TOP-PAIR INVARIANT MASS

Tevatron $\sqrt{s} \approx 2 \text{ TeV}$



LHC: $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$



- LHC has data in "boosted regime" $M_{t\bar{t}} \gg m_t$
- not just "corner of phase space": important for new physics searches

QCD CORRECTIONS IN BOOSTED TOP PRODUCTION

Consider very large pair invariant mass where $\tau = M_{t\bar{t}}^2/s \rightarrow 1$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dM_{t\bar{t}}}(s, m_t, M_{t\bar{t}}) = \sum_{i,j} \int_{\tau}^1 \frac{dz}{z} f_{ij}(\tau/z, \mu_f) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}}{dM_{t\bar{t}}}(z, m_t, M_{t\bar{t}}, \mu_f)$$

$$f_{ij}(y, \mu_f) = \int_y^1 \frac{dx}{x} f_{i/h_1}(x, \mu_f) f_{j/h_2}(y/x, \mu_f)$$

Two kinds of large logarithms appear:

- soft logs: $[\ln(1-z)/(1-z)]_+$ ($z \equiv M_{t\bar{t}}^2/\hat{s}$)
- small-mass (collinear) logs: $\ln m_t/M_{t\bar{t}}$

Goal: set up a framework which can factorize cross sections and resum both types of logs, i.e. understand factorization in double soft and small-mass limit

REFERENCE POINT: FACTORIZATION OF PARTONIC CROSS SECTIONS IN THE SOFT LIMIT

1) Pair invariant mass distributions (PIM kinematics i.e. $d\sigma/dM$)

$$d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(z, M, m_t, \cos\theta, \mu_f) = \text{Tr} \left[\mathbf{H}_{ij}^m(M, m_t, t_1, \mu_f) \mathbf{S}_{ij}^{m, \text{PIM}}(\sqrt{\hat{s}}(1-z), m_t, t_1, \mu_f) \right] + \mathcal{O}(1-z)$$

2) Single particle inclusive distributions (1PI kinematics i.e. $d\sigma/dp_T$)

$$d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(s_4, \hat{s}, \hat{t}_1, \hat{u}_1, m_t, \mu_f) = \text{Tr} \left[\mathbf{H}_{ij}^m(\hat{s}, \hat{t}_1, \hat{u}_1, m_t, \mu_f) \mathbf{S}_{ij}^{m, 1\text{PI}}(s_4, \hat{s}, \hat{t}_1, \hat{u}_1, m_t, \mu_f) \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{s_4}{m_t^2}\right)$$

- both cases known to NNLL [Ahrens, Ferroglia, Neubert, BP, Yang; Kidonakis], enough for all soft logs and μ -dependent terms at NNLO
- In small-mass limit both \mathbf{H}^m and \mathbf{S}^m have logarithms in $\ln m_t^2/\hat{s}$

PIM KINEMATICS: FACTORIZATION WITH FRAGMENTATION FUNCTIONS IN SMALL-MASS LIMIT

Idea: start with well-known factorization theorem for energetic top-quark production [[Mele and Nason 1990](#)]

Generic heavy-quark production cross section (i.e. $e^+e^- \rightarrow t + X$)

$$\frac{d\sigma_t}{dz}(z, m_t, \mu) = \sum_a \int_z^1 \frac{dx}{x} \frac{d\tilde{\sigma}_a}{dx}(x, m_t = 0, \mu) D_{a/t}^{(n_l+n_h)}\left(\frac{z}{x}, m_t, \mu\right)$$

- a lot like factorization with PDFs, just apply to our case
- then weave together with soft limit of each function [[arXiv:1205.3662](#)]

caveat: closed heavy-quark loops proportional to powers of N_h complicate things, leave aside in rest of talk

FIRST LAYER: THE SMALL-MASS LIMIT

1) When $m_t \ll M \equiv M_{t\bar{t}}$

$$(f(z) \otimes g(z) \equiv \int_z^1 \frac{dx}{x} f(x) g(z/x))$$

$$\frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dM}(M, m_t, z, \mu) \sim \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dM}(M, z, m_t = 0, \mu) \otimes D_{t/t}^2(m_t, z, \mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_t^2}{M^2}\right)$$

- m_t dependence factorized into heavy-quark fragmentation function $D_{t/t}$ (collinear emissions)
- M dependence factorized into massless partonic cross section (wide-angle emissions)
- next step: factorize $d\hat{\sigma}/dM$ and $D_{t/t}$ in soft limit

SECOND LAYER: SOFT LIMIT ($z \rightarrow 1$)

1) Massless partonic cross section

$$d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(z, M, t_1, \mu_f) = \text{Tr} \left[\mathbf{H}_{ij}(M, t_1, \mu_f) \mathbf{S}_{ij}(\sqrt{\hat{s}}(1-z), t_1, \mu_f) \right] + \mathcal{O}(1-z)$$

- \mathbf{H}_{ij} related to virtual corrections to massless $2 \rightarrow 2$ scattering
- \mathbf{S}_{ij} related to soft real corrections to massless $2 \rightarrow 2$ scattering

2) Fragmentation function

$$D_{t/t'}^{(\eta_l)}(z, m_t, \mu_f) = C_D(m_t, \mu_f) S_D(m_t(1-z), \mu_f) + \mathcal{O}(1-z)$$

- C_D related to virtual corrections to fragmentation function
- S_D related to real corrections to fragmentation function (and proposed to be equivalent to perturbative shape function [[Gardi '05](#) ; [Neubert '07](#)])

FACTORIZATION AT NNLO

The factorized cross section is

$$\frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dM} \sim \text{Tr}[\mathbf{H}(M, \mu) \mathbf{S}(M(1-z), \mu)] \otimes C_D^2(m_t, \mu) S_D^2(m_t(1-z), \mu) + \mathcal{O}(1-z) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_t^2}{M^2}\right)$$

All component functions known at NNLO

- C_D and S_D from fragmentation function for generic z [Melnikov, Mitov '04]
- \mathbf{H} from virtual corrections to $gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{Q}Q$ scattering [Glover et. al '00-'01] after IR renormalization procedure [Ferroglia, BP, Yang '13]
- \mathbf{S} from real emission corrections to $gg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{q}'q'$ in soft limit [Ferroglia, BP, Yang '12]

If NNLO corrections are large because of logarithmic corrections, can use renormalization group to resum them to NNLL accuracy (standard SCET methods, momentum space or otherwise)

A STEP BACK

The factorized cross section is

$$\frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dM} \sim \text{Tr}[\mathbf{H}(M, \mu) \mathbf{S}(M(1-z), \mu)] \otimes C_D^2(m_t, \mu) S_D^2(m_t(1-z), \mu) + \mathcal{O}(1-z) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_t^2}{M^2}\right)$$

- we derived this by taking $m_t \rightarrow 0$ limit then soft limit
- natural question: how to do it the other way around?
- in other words, would like to start with

$$d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(z, M, m_t, \cos\theta, \mu_f) = \text{Tr} \left[\mathbf{H}_{ij}^m(M, m_t, t_1, \mu_f) \mathbf{S}_{ij}^{m, \text{PIM}}(\sqrt{\hat{s}}(1-z), m_t, t_1, \mu_f) \right] + \mathcal{O}(1-z)$$

and subfactorize \mathbf{H}_{ij}^m and \mathbf{S}_{ij}^m in m_t^2/\hat{s} limit...

- simple for hard function (next), harder for soft function (later)

FACTORIZED HARD FUNCTION IN $m_t^2/\hat{s} \ll 1$ LIMIT

Three pieces

$$|\mathcal{M}(\epsilon, M, m_t, t_1)\rangle = Z_{[q]}(\epsilon, m_t, \mu) |\mathcal{M}(\epsilon, M, t_1)\rangle \quad [\text{Mitov/Moch}]$$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathbf{Z}_m^{-1}(\epsilon, M, m_t, t_1, \mu) |\mathcal{M}(\epsilon, M, m_t, t_1)\rangle = |\mathcal{M}_{\text{ren}}(M, m_t, t_1, \mu)\rangle \quad [\text{Neubert/Becher}]$$

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathbf{Z}^{-1}(\epsilon, M, t_1, \mu) |\mathcal{M}(\epsilon, M, t_1)\rangle = |\mathcal{M}_{\text{ren}}(M, t_1, \mu)\rangle \quad [\text{Catani; Neubert/Becher}]$$

Combine to get a relation between Z factors and finite matching function f

$$Z_{[q]}(\epsilon, m_t, \mu) \mathbf{Z}_m^{-1}(\epsilon, M, m_t, t_1, \mu) = f(m_t, \mu) \mathbf{Z}^{-1}(\epsilon, M, t_1, \mu).$$

It follows that

$$\mathbf{H}_{ij}^m(M, m_t, t_1, \mu) = f^2(m_t, \mu) \mathbf{H}_{ij}(M, t_1, \mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_t^2}{\hat{s}}\right).$$

Have factorized hard function in $m_t^2 \ll \hat{s}$ limit. Have checked this works to NLO, to NNLO for μ dependent terms, and that $f(m_t, \mu) = C_D(m_t, \mu)$.

FACTORIZATION FOR 1PI OBSERVABLES (I.E. $d\sigma/dp_T$)

1PI more involved than PIM case, just putting in fragmentation function doesn't work. We instead started from cross section in soft limit and derived small-mass limit from scratch

$$d\hat{\sigma}_{ij}(s_4, \hat{s}, \hat{t}_1, \hat{u}_1, m_t, \mu_f) = \text{Tr} \left[\mathbf{H}_{ij}^m(\hat{s}, \hat{t}_1, \hat{u}_1, m_t, \mu_f) \mathbf{S}_{ij}^{m,1\text{PI}}(s_4, \hat{s}, \hat{t}_1, \hat{u}_1, m_t, \mu_f) \right] + O\left(\frac{s_4}{m_t^2}\right)$$

- know from PIM case that $\mathbf{H}_{ij}^m = C_D^2(m_t, \mu) \mathbf{H}_{ij}$
- problem is now: how to factorize multiscale soft function into component parts?
- Dealt with in [\[arXiv:1310.3836\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1310.3836). We used method of regions to figure out structure then worked with operators to make more formal

MOMENTUM REGIONS AND FACTORIZATION

- Regions analysis shows that three momentum regions contribute to massive soft function in limit $m_t^2 \ll \hat{s}$

$$k_s^\mu \sim \frac{s_4}{\sqrt{\hat{s}}} \sim \sqrt{\hat{s}} \frac{s_4}{m_t^2} (\lambda^2, \lambda^2, \lambda^2) \quad (\text{soft, wide angle})$$

$$k_{sc}^\mu \sim \frac{s_4 p_3^\mu}{\hat{s}} \sim \sqrt{\hat{s}} \frac{s_4}{m_t^2} (\lambda^2, \lambda^4, \lambda^3) \quad (\text{soft, collinear to the top})$$

$$k_{sc'}^\mu \sim \frac{s_4 p_4^\mu}{m_t^2} \sim \sqrt{\hat{s}} \frac{s_4}{m_t^2} (\lambda^2, 1, \lambda) \quad (\text{soft, collinear to the anti-top})$$

- This leads to factorized form (checked explicitly to NNLO)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S}_{ij}^m(s_4, \hat{s}, \hat{t}_1, \hat{u}_1, m_t, \mu) &= \int d\omega_s d\omega_d d\omega_b \delta(s_4 - \omega_s - \omega_d - \omega_b) \\ &\quad \times \mathbf{S}_{ij} \left(\omega_s, \frac{\omega_s}{\sqrt{\hat{s}}}, x_t, \mu \right) S_D \left(\omega_d, \frac{\omega_d m_t}{\hat{s}}, \mu \right) S_B \left(\omega_b, \frac{\omega_b}{m_t}, \mu \right) \\ &\quad + \mathcal{O}(s_4/m_t^2) + \mathcal{O}(m_t^2/\hat{s}) \end{aligned}$$

- Can see structure through regions calculation, but helps to have operator definitions in SCET to connect with literature (and do all orders 'proof')

FACTORIZATION OF WILSON LOOP OPERATOR I

- operator definition of soft function:

$$\mathbf{S}^m(\omega, \hat{s}, \hat{t}_1, \hat{u}_1, m_t, \mu) = \frac{1}{d_R} \sum_X \langle 0 | \mathbf{O}_s^{m\dagger}(0) | X \rangle \langle X | \mathbf{O}_s^m(0) | 0 \rangle \delta(\omega - 2p_4 \cdot p_X)$$

$$\mathbf{O}_s^m(x) = [\mathbf{S}_{v_1}^m \mathbf{S}_{v_2}^m \mathbf{S}_{v_3}^m \mathbf{S}_{v_4}^m](x); \quad \mathbf{S}_{v_i}^m(x) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left(i g_s \int_0^\infty ds \, v_i \cdot A^a(x + s v_i) \mathbf{T}_i^a \right)$$

- to factorize it, first decompose gluon field as

$$A^a \rightarrow A_s^a + A_{sc}^a + A_{sc'}^a$$

- then use Wilson line identity

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{P} \exp \left[\int_a^b dx (A(x) + B(x)) \right] \\ &= \mathcal{P} \exp \left[\int_a^b dx A(x) \right] \mathcal{P} \exp \left[\int_a^b dx \left(\mathcal{P} e^{\int_a^x dx' A(x')} \right)^{-1} B(x) \left(\mathcal{P} e^{\int_a^x dx' A(x')} \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

FACTORIZATION OF WILSON LOOP OPERATOR II

- first define Wilson lines depending on a single mode

$$\mathbf{S}_{v_i}(x) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left(ig_s \int_0^\infty ds \, v_i \cdot A_s^a(x + sv_i) \mathbf{T}_i^a \right),$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_{v_i}(x) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left(ig_s \int_0^\infty ds \, v_i \cdot A_{sc}^a(x + sv_i) \mathbf{T}_i^a \right),$$

$$\mathbf{Y}'_{v_i}(x) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left(ig_s \int_0^\infty ds \, v_i \cdot A_{sc'}^a(x + sv_i) \mathbf{T}_i^a \right)$$

- can then show

$$\mathbf{S}_{v_i}^m(x) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left(ig_s \int_0^\infty ds \, v_i \cdot [A_s^a + A_{sc}^a + A_{sc'}^a](x + sv_i) \mathbf{T}_i^a \right) = \mathbf{Y}_{v_i}(x) \tilde{\mathbf{S}}_{v_i}(x) \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}'_{v_i}(x)$$

- after SCET field redefinitions [Bauer, Pirjol, Stewart '01] this turns into a simple product of non-interacting Wilson lines for each sector

THE FACTORIZED MATRIX ELEMENTS

- "massless soft function" (known to NNLO from [\[Ferroglia, BP, Yang '12\]](#))

$$\mathbf{S} \left(\omega_s, \frac{\omega_s}{\sqrt{\hat{s}}}, x_t, \mu \right) = \frac{1}{d_R} \sum_{X_s} \langle 0 | \mathbf{O}_s^\dagger(0) | X_s \rangle \langle X_s | \mathbf{O}_s(0) | 0 \rangle \delta(\omega_s - \sqrt{\hat{s}} n_4 \cdot p_{X_s})$$

$$\mathbf{O}_s(x) = [\mathbf{S}_{n_1} \mathbf{S}_{n_2} \mathbf{S}_{n_3} \mathbf{S}_{n_4}](x)$$

- "soft fragmentation function" (known to NNLO from [\[Melnikov, Mitov '04\]](#))

$$S_D \left(\omega_{sc}, \frac{\omega_{sc} m_t}{\hat{s}}, \mu \right) = \sum_{X_{sc}} \langle 0 | O_{sc}^\dagger(0) | X_{sc} \rangle \langle X_{sc} | O_{sc}(0) | 0 \rangle \delta(\omega_{sc} - \sqrt{\hat{s}} \bar{n}_3 \cdot p_{X_{sc}})$$

$$O_{sc}(x) = Y_{v_3}^\dagger(x) Y_{\bar{n}_3}(x)$$

- "heavy quark jet function" (known to NNLO from [\[Jain, Stewart '08\]](#))

$$S_B \left(\omega_{sc'}, \frac{\omega_{sc'}}{m_t}, \mu \right) = \sum_{X_{sc'}} \langle 0 | O_{sc'}^\dagger(0) | X_{sc'} \rangle \langle X_{sc'} | O_{sc'}(0) | 0 \rangle \delta(\omega_{sc'} - 2m_t v_4 \cdot p_{X_{sc'}})$$

$$O_{sc'}(x) = Y_{\bar{n}_4}^{\prime\dagger}(x) Y_{v_4}'(x)$$

THE FINAL RESULT FOR 1PI CROSS SECTIONS IN SOFT AND SMALL-MASS LIMIT

In Laplace space:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{c}_{ij}(N, \hat{s}, \hat{t}_1, \hat{u}_1, m_t, \mu) &= C_D^2 \left(\ln \frac{m_t^2}{\mu^2}, \mu \right) \text{Tr} \left[H_{ij} \left(\ln \frac{\hat{s}}{\mu^2}, x_t, \mu \right) \tilde{s}_{ij} \left(\ln \frac{\hat{s}}{\bar{N}^2 \mu^2}, x_t, \mu \right) \right] \\ &\times \tilde{s}_D \left(\ln \frac{m_t}{\bar{N} \mu}, \mu \right) \tilde{s}_B \left(\ln \frac{\hat{s}}{\bar{N} m_t \mu}, \mu \right) \\ &+ \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{\hat{s}}{N m_t^2} \right) + \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{m_t^2}{\hat{s}} \right)\end{aligned}$$

- cross section factorized into five one-scale functions, all known to NNLO
- can solve RG equations as usual to do double resummation of soft and small-mass logarithms

SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK

Summary:

- used SCET-based factorization formulas to derive double soft and small mass limit of differential cross sections
- components known to accuracy needed for NNLO virtual plus soft approximations plus NNLL resummation of soft and small-mass logs

To do:

- implement double small-mass and soft-gluon resummation numerically
- include electroweak corrections (important at high M)
- compare in detail with NLO parton shower programs and match to NNLO calculations once available
- deal with heavy-quark loops

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THE MASSLESS PIM SOFT FUNCTION

Basic object is Wilson loop

$$\mathbf{O}_s(x) = [\mathbf{S}_{n_1} \mathbf{S}_{n_2} \mathbf{S}_{n_3} \mathbf{S}_{n_4}](x)$$

built out of light-like Wilson lines

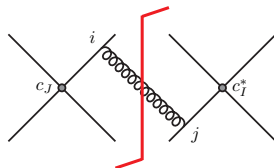
$$\mathbf{S}_i(x) = \mathcal{P} \exp \left(ig_s \int_{-\infty}^0 ds \, n_i \cdot A^a(x + sn_i) \mathbf{T}_i^a \right)$$

Soft function is defined after squaring amplitude:

$$\mathbf{S}(\omega, t_1/M^2, \mu) = \frac{1}{d_R} \sum_{X_s} \langle 0 | \mathbf{O}_s^\dagger(0) | X_s \rangle \langle X_s | \mathbf{O}_s(0) | 0 \rangle \delta(\omega - (n_1 + n_2) \cdot p_{X_s})$$

- for two-to-two scattering $n_i \cdot n_j$ can be expressed in terms of one angle $-t_1/M^2$
- the δ -function sets $\omega = 2E_s = M(1 - z)$ in partonic center-of-mass frame

SOFT FUNCTION AT NLO



Feynman diagram proportional to (using dim. reg. in $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$ dimensions)

$$I_1(\omega, a_{ij}) = \int d^d k \delta(k^2) \theta(k^0) \frac{n_i \cdot n_j \delta(\omega - n_0 \cdot k)}{n_i \cdot k n_j \cdot k} \equiv \pi^{1-\epsilon} e^{-\epsilon \gamma_E} \omega^{-1-2\epsilon} \bar{I}_1(a_{ij});$$

$$a_{ij} \equiv 1 - \frac{n_0^2 n_i \cdot n_j}{2 n_0 \cdot n_i n_0 \cdot n_j}; \quad \bar{I}_1(a) = \frac{2 e^{\epsilon \gamma_E} \Gamma(-\epsilon)}{\Gamma(1-2\epsilon)} (1-a)^{-\epsilon} {}_2F_1(-\epsilon, -\epsilon, 1-\epsilon, a)$$

Bare soft function matrix obtained by summing over legs and evaluating color factors

$$\left[\mathbf{s}_{\text{bare}}^{(1)} \right]_{IJ} = \frac{2}{\omega} \left(\frac{\mu}{\omega} \right)^{2\epsilon} \sum_{\text{legs}} \langle c_I | \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_j | c_J \rangle \bar{I}_1(a_{ij})$$

SOFT FUNCTION AT NNLO

Three basic types of topologies at NNLO

- two-Wilson-line graphs (depend on one scale a_{ij})
- three-Wilson-line graphs (depend on two scales a_{ij}, a_{ik})
- four-Wilson-line graphs (depend on two scales a_{ij}, a_{kl} but factorize)

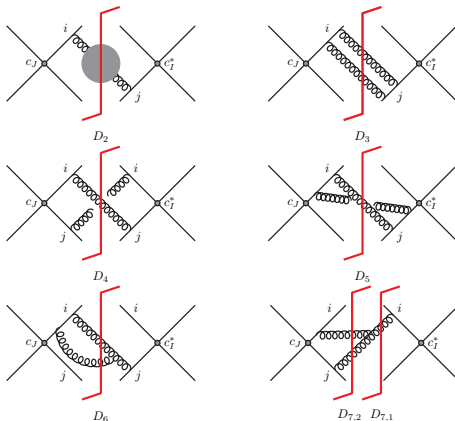
Especially the three-Wilson-line graphs are potentially very difficult, but turned out to be much simpler than we originally thought (fortuitous cancellations)!

Result at NNLO has form

$$\mathbf{s}_{\text{bare}}^{(2)} = \frac{4}{\omega} \left(\frac{\mu}{\omega} \right)^{4\epsilon} \sum_{\text{legs}} \left(\sum_{n=2}^7 \mathbf{w}_{ij}^{(n)} \bar{I}_n(a_{ij}) + \mathbf{w}_{ijk}^{(8)} \bar{I}_8(a_{ij}, a_{ik}) + \mathbf{w}_{ijkl}^{(9)} \bar{I}_9(a_{ij}, a_{kl}) \right)$$

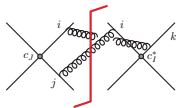
- integrals \bar{I}_n solved in terms of various harmonic polylogarithms (HPLs)
- $1/\epsilon$ poles in bare function subtracted by renormalization procedure (derived from factorization so important cross check)

TWO-WILSON-LINE GRAPHS

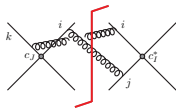


- parameterize phase-space in terms of light-cone coordinates
- hardest integrals evaluated by expanding in ϵ and deriving and solving differential equations w.r.t a_{ij} (checked with integrals in [\[Li, Mantry, Petriello '11\]](#))

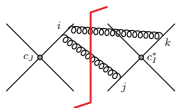
ABELIAN THREE-WILSON-LINE GRAPHS



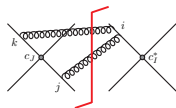
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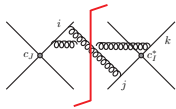
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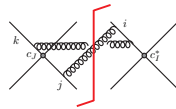
(c)



(d)



(e)



(f)

Graphs (a) and (b) factorize.

Graphs (c)-(f) are complicated, but their sum factorizes

D_8

Final result for sum of graphs

$$D_8 \sim \{\mathbf{T}_i^a, \mathbf{T}_i^b\} \mathbf{T}_j^a \mathbf{T}_k^b \times (1 - a_{ij})^{-\epsilon} (1 - a_{ik})^{-\epsilon} \times {}_2F_1(-\epsilon, -\epsilon, 1 - \epsilon, a_{ij}) {}_2F_1(-\epsilon, -\epsilon, 1 - \epsilon, a_{ik})$$

- factorized form follows from non-abelian exponentiation theorem, which states that coefficient of symmetric color structure is proportional to NLO graph squared

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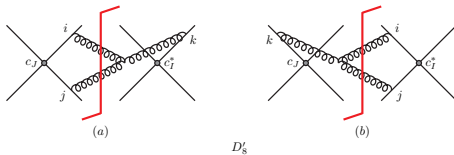


FIGURE : Examples of non-abelian three-Wilson-line integrals which add to zero.

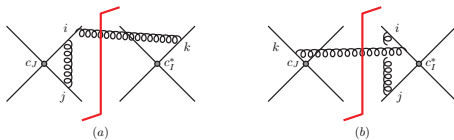


FIGURE : Example of a pair of mixed virtual-real one-particle cuts which adds up to a scaleless integral.

NLO MOMENTUM REGIONS IN SMALL-MASS LIMIT

- Basic NLO integral for massive 1PI soft function

$$\begin{aligned} I_{ij}^m &= \pi^{-1+\epsilon} e^{\epsilon\gamma_E} \mu^{2\epsilon} \int d^d k \delta^+(k^2) \delta^+(s_4 - 2p_4 \cdot k) \frac{p_i \cdot p_j}{p_i \cdot k p_j \cdot k} \\ &\equiv \int [dk] \delta^+(s_4 - 2p_4 \cdot k) \frac{p_i \cdot p_j}{p_i \cdot k p_j \cdot k} \end{aligned}$$

- To identify momentum regions use light-cone coordinates:

$$k^\mu = k_{+ij} \frac{n_i^\mu}{\sqrt{2 n_i \cdot n_j}} + k_{-ij} \frac{n_j^\mu}{\sqrt{2 n_i \cdot n_j}} + k_{\perp ij}^\mu$$

- Using $i = 3$ and $j = 4$ have in partonic c.m. frame ($\lambda = m_t/\sqrt{\hat{s}}$) have scalings of $p_i^\mu = (p_{4+}, p_{4k-}, p_{4k\perp})$

$$p_3^\mu \sim \sqrt{\hat{s}}(1, \lambda^2, \lambda), \quad p_4^\mu \sim \sqrt{\hat{s}}(\lambda^2, 1, \lambda); \quad p_3^2 = p_4^2 = m_t^2$$

$$p_1^\mu \sim \sqrt{\hat{s}}(1, 1, 1), \quad p_2^\mu \sim \sqrt{\hat{s}}(1, 1, 1); \quad p_1^2 = p_2^2 = 0$$

REGIONS I: WIDE ANGLE SOFT

Can approximate $p_i^\mu \sim E_i n_i^\mu$, $n_i^2 = 0$. The soft integral is then

$$\begin{aligned} I_{ij}^s &= \int [dk_s] \delta^+(s_4 - \sqrt{\hat{s}} n_4 \cdot k_s) \frac{n_i \cdot n_j}{n_i \cdot k_s n_j \cdot k_s} \\ &= \frac{1}{s_4} \left(\frac{s_4}{\sqrt{\hat{s}} \mu} \right)^{-2\epsilon} \left(\frac{2n_i \cdot n_j}{n_4 \cdot n_i n_4 \cdot n_j} \right)^{-\epsilon} \left(-\frac{2}{\epsilon} + \frac{\pi^2}{6} \epsilon \right) \end{aligned}$$

- characteristic scale is $\mu_s \sim s_4 / \sqrt{\hat{s}}$
- like an eikonal factor for "massless" partons
- total contribution from region after summing all over all legs:

$$I^s = 2\mathbf{T}_1 \cdot \mathbf{T}_2 I_{12}^s + 2\mathbf{T}_1 \cdot \mathbf{T}_3 I_{13}^s + 2\mathbf{T}_2 \cdot \mathbf{T}_3 I_{23}^s$$

- matrix in color space, and emissions from parton 4 vanish

REGIONS II: SOFT AND COLLINEAR TO TOP QUARK

write $p_3^\mu = \sqrt{\hat{s}} n_3^\mu / 2 + n_4^\mu m_t^2 / 2\sqrt{\hat{s}}$, so $v_3^2 = p_3^2 / m_t^2 = 1$. Then

$$I_{(i \neq 3)3}^{sc} = \int [dk_{sc}] \delta^+(s_4 - \sqrt{\hat{s}} k_{sc}^+) \frac{2v_3^+}{(v_3^+ k_{sc}^- + v_3^- k_{sc}^+) k_{sc}^+} = \frac{1}{s_4} \left(\frac{s_4 m_t}{\hat{s} \mu} \right)^{-2\epsilon} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} + \frac{\pi^2}{12} \epsilon \right)$$

$$I_{33}^{sc} = \int [dk_{sc}] \delta^+(s_4 - \sqrt{\hat{s}} k_{sc}^+) \frac{1}{v_3 \cdot k_{sc} v_3 \cdot k_{sc}} = \frac{2}{s_4} \left(\frac{s_4 m_t}{\hat{s} \mu} \right)^{-2\epsilon}$$

- characteristic scale is $\mu_{sc} \sim m_t s_4 / \hat{s}$
- integrals for $i \neq 3$ do not depend on n_i
- total contribution from region

$$I^{sc} = \mathbf{T}_3 \cdot \mathbf{T}_3 I_{33}^{sc} + 2I_{13}^{sc} \sum_{i \neq 3} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_3 = C_F (I_{33}^{sc} - 2I_{13}^{sc})$$

- color diagonal! can show this is one loop contribution to soft part of fragmentation function, S_D

REGIONS III: SOFT AND COLLINEAR TO ANTITOP QUARK

Write $p_4^\mu = \sqrt{\hat{s}} n_4^\mu / 2 + n_3^\mu m_t^2 / 2\sqrt{\hat{s}}$. Then

$$I_{(i \neq 4)4}^{sc'} = \int [dk_{sc'}] \delta^+(s_4 - 2m_t v_4 \cdot k_{sc'}) \frac{v_4^-}{v_4 \cdot k_{sc'} k_{sc'}^-} = \frac{1}{s_4} \left(\frac{s_4}{m_t \mu} \right)^{-2\epsilon} \left(-\frac{1}{\epsilon} + \frac{\pi^2}{4} \epsilon \right)$$

$$I_{44}^{sc'} = \int [dk_{sc'}] \delta^+(s_4 - 2m_t v_4 \cdot k_{sc'}) \frac{1}{v_4 \cdot k_{sc'} v_4 \cdot k_{sc'}} = \frac{1}{s_4} \left(\frac{s_4}{m_t \mu} \right)^{-2\epsilon} (2 + 4\epsilon)$$

- characteristic scale is $\mu_{sc'} \sim s_4/m_t$
- integrals for $i \neq 4$ do not depend on n_i
- total contribution from region

$$I^{sc'} = \mathbf{T}_4 \cdot \mathbf{T}_4 I_{44}^{sc'} + 2I_{14}^{sc'} \sum_{i \neq 4} \mathbf{T}_i \cdot \mathbf{T}_4 = C_F (I_{44}^{sc'} - 2I_{14}^{sc'})$$

- color diagonal! can show this is one loop contribution to the heavy-quark jet function, S_B [Fleming, Mantry, Hoang, Stewart '08]